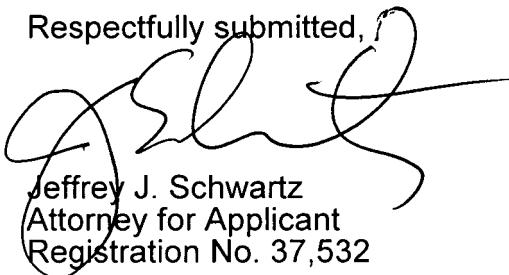


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-20 in the case are pending, and stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-22 of U.S. Patent No. 6,651,543. To overcome this rejection, Applicant submits the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer.

For all these reasons discussed above, Applicant submits that all of the claims in the case are now in condition for allowance. Such action is therefore respectfully requested at an early date. If the Examiner believes that issues remain for discussion, *he is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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